



PROPOSITION 218 NOTICE

NOTICE TO PROPERTY OWNERS OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED SEWER RATE INCREASE

County Service Area No. 30 (Nyeland Acres)

Hearing Date and Time: Tuesday, June 23, 2020, 11:30 a.m.

Location: Board of Supervisors Hearing Room, Ventura County Government Center, 800 S. Victoria Avenue, Ventura, CA 93009-1920

Why are you Receiving this Notice?

The Ventura County Board of Supervisors will be conducting a Public Hearing on proposed sewer rates increases for County Service Area No. 30 (CSA 30). The County of Ventura Water and Sanitation Department (Department) is responsible for the administration, operations, and maintenance of the sewer collection system. CSA 30 provides sanitation service for the Nyeland Acres community. Sewage from the Nyeland Acres Sewer Collection System is conveyed to the City of Oxnard for wastewater treatment.

Why are Rate Changes Required?

Annually, as part of the budget process, the sewer rate is reviewed to determine if adjustments are needed to accommodate projected expenses. The last sewer rate increase of 4% was approved by the Board of Supervisors in June 2019. This year, a rate adjustment is necessary due to the City of Oxnard treatment rate increase of 4%, increases to power costs of 3% and labor rate increases of 3%. As a result, a 3% sewer rate increase is proposed effective July 1, 2020, as shown in the table below.

To reduce the cost of collections, the sewer charges are collected through the annual general County tax roll. A report has been prepared identifying which parcels benefit from the services provided by the Department and listing each by Assessor's Parcel Number. The annual amount of the sewer service charge for each parcel depends on its Residential Unit Equivalent ("RUE") and may be obtained by calling the Department at (805) 378-3000, Monday through Friday, between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. The report will also be filed with the Clerk of the Board prior to the public hearing.

What are the Current and Proposed Rates?

CURRENT RATES FY 2019-20	PROPOSED RATES FY 2020-21
\$48.70 per month, per RUE \$584.40 per year, per RUE	\$50.16 per month, per RUE \$601.94 per year, per RUE
For APN 149-0-091-275 only \$90.05 per month, per RUE \$1,080.60 per year, per RUE	For APN 149-0-091-275 only \$92.75 per month, per RUE \$1,113.02 per year, per RUE

How do you Protest?

If you wish to oppose the proposed sewer rates increases, you are requested to submit a written protest by mail prior to the public hearing to the following address: Water and Sanitation Department, Attn: CSA 30 Sewer Rate Protest, 6767 Spring Road, P.O. Box 250, Moorpark, CA 91320-0250. Protests must contain the following information: (1) the property's Assessor's Parcel Number and address; (2) whether you are the owner of record of the property or a leaseholder (if you were not the owner of the property as of Ventura County's last tax roll, please include confirmation that you presently own the property); (3) a statement that you are protesting the sewer rate increase; and (4) your name (printed), date, and original signature.

The Department will not count written protests received after the conclusion of the public hearing. Verbal protests unaccompanied by a written protest will not be counted, and facsimile (fax) protests will not be accepted. If you choose to submit your protest by regular mail, please allow sufficient time for the mail to be delivered; the Department is not responsible for U.S. Postal Service delays. Only one protest per property will be counted. If you own multiple properties affected by the proposed increases, you should submit separate protests for each affected parcel, as the protest threshold is based upon a majority of the total number of parcels. Once opened, protests are disclosable public record. To view the Board agenda, visit <http://www.ventura.org/meetings-and-broadcasts> the Thursday prior to the public hearing date.